## Harrington Park Environmental Commission March 4, 2020, 7:30 pm Meeting Minutes

Peter Ardito opened the meeting at 7:37 with the following announcement: In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was made. It was included in the 2020 annual notice posted in the Borough Hall. Copies have been mailed to THE RECORD, NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS, and the NORTH JERSEY SUBURBANITE. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

Roll Call: Peter Ardito-present Sung Min Yoo-present

Mary Ann Schran-present at 7:49

Jeffrey Brockman-absent

Anne Lander-present

Theresa Hazelton-present

Meredith Budinich-present

## **Green Team Portion of Meeting** no report

**Minutes from February 5, 2020** Anne moved to approve, second Meredith. All in favor. Carried.

Old Business Peter has been involved in many meetings. Cleatus Farms gave a landscaping proposal, mostly native, including non-invasive bamboo. Peter is still working on a contribution from Suez. Peter will bring the proposal to the HP Beautification Committee and O&R. Theresa brought up the issue of drought resistance. Cleatus Farms will look after the plants after installation. Peter also walked with Ray (Suez). There is a lot of knot weed. On ¾, Peter met with the O&R arborist. We can use the chips from the dying tree on Highland. Peter met with Lori from SWAN. We will try to have one joint HP Environmental Commission/SWAN project per year. Maybe there can also be one public awareness project per year. Perhaps also we can find homeowners willing to run their yards organically. Tie in with Town Day?

For Shred Day: We need to put the mulch truck in the area near the Borough Hall and Library.

Bees: We will meet at 10:00 on 3/14 to weed.

March 11 talk by Barry Higgins We should arrive between 6:00 and 6:30 to set up for the 7:00 talk.

Finances as of February 5

T- Mobile - 13,201.92 EC- 2205.30 Current Budget - 1000.00

**New Business** A possible project is looking at the health of the trees at George Street Park.

## **Public Portion of Meeting**

**Adjournment—Next scheduled meeting April 1, 2020.** Meredith moved to adjourn, second Theresa. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.